DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Foreign-Trade Zones Board [B-6-2022]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 43 – Battle Creek, Michigan;
Notification of Proposed Production Activity
Pfizer, Inc.
(Nirmatrelvir Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient (API) for COVID-19 Treatment)
Kalamazoo, Michigan

Pfizer, Inc. (Pfizer) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility Kalamazoo, Michigan. The notification conforming to the requirements of the Board's regulations (15 CFR 400.22) was received on February 22, 2022.

Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ production activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials/components and specific finished product described in the submitted notification (summarized below) and subsequently authorized by the Board. The benefits that may stem from conducting production activity under FTZ procedures are explained in the background section of the Board's website – accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz. The proposed finished product and materials/components would be added to the production authority that the Board previously approved for the operation, as reflected on the Board's website.

The proposed finished product is Nirmatrelvir API (duty rate, 6.5%).

The proposed foreign-status materials and components include Registered Starter Chemical PF- 04349713-01, Registered Starter Chemical PF-07321787, Registered Starter Chemical PF-07328614-01, 2-Hydroxypyridine-N-oxide (HOPO), and Dimethylaminopropylethyl carbodiimide hydrochloride (EDC HCI) (duty rates are 3.7% or 6.5%). The request indicates that certain materials/components are subject to duties under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (Section 301), depending on the country of

origin. The applicable Section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted

to FTZs in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be

addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary and sent to: ftz@trade.gov. The closing

period for their receipt is [INSERT DATE 40 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Online FTZ

Information System" section of the Board's website.

For further information, contact Diane Finver at Diane.Finver@trade.gov.

Dated: February 23, 2022.

Elizabeth Whiteman,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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